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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: POST-SHIPMENT END-USE CHECK ON LICENSE 050099495

REF: 2006 BLUE LANTERN GUIDEBOOK

- 11. This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2-4.
- 12. The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a post-shipment check on license 050099495 for the export of International Traffic in Arms (ITAR) controlled electronic components and spare parts for the Manpack Radio Set AN/PRC-77. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern inquiry within 45 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern inquiry will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.
- 13. Reason for request: Substantiate bona fides of foreign parties involved in this transaction, confirm order/ receipt with the end-user, and ensure United States Munitions List (USML) items are being used in accordance with license provisos. Foreign Intermediate Consignee Asia Projects is an unfamiliar entity.
- ¶4. ACTION: The Department requests that Post make inquiries with Foreign Intermediate Consignee Asia Projects to establish its bona fides in the proposed transaction. Conduct a site visit to assess the company's reliability as a recipient of USML articles as well as its operations and on-site security. Emphasize that the unauthorized re-export or retransfer of USML items is strictly prohibited. Confirm that the Bangladesh Army has received the USML items listed below in full and that they are being used in accordance with the license provisos which state that the items were approved for all Bangladesh Army members except those in the Bangladesh Rifles Unit (BDR) or the Rapid Action Battalion (RAB).

The following questions provide suggested guidance:

(To Asia Projects):

- Can Asia Projects provide documentation (e.g. purchase order, contract, or letter of intent) from the Bangladesh Army, Signals Base Workshop firmly establishing it as the end user of the items?
- What is Asia Project's exact role in this transaction?
- Who are Asia Project's other customers and where are they located?
- What other products are sold by your company?
- How long has your company been in the business of importing and selling defense articles?

- Are you familiar with the restrictions against the unauthorized re-export or retransfer of U.S.-origin defense articles?

(To Bangladesh Army, Signals Base Workshop)

- Please confirm receipt of the listed items on license application 050099495.
- How long has the Bangladesh Army done business with Asia Projects?
- What is the specific role of Asia Projects in the proposed transaction?
- What measures have been implemented by the Bangladesh Army to ensure the USML items are being used in accordance with the license provisos?

END ACTION.

5.Details of license application:

DTC Case: 050099495

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

200 Interval Oscillator Assy (A-40) 80063
150 Antenna Mount Post/Connector Assembly
 SMC-447102
500 Hand Set H-189/GR
60 Antenna AT-271/PRC-25 80063

License Value: \$53,100.00 USD

SELLER:

Arnold A. Semler, Inc. dba Associated Industries 11347 Vanowen Street
North Hollywood, CA 91605
Tel: 818-760-1000 ext. 223

FOREIGN INTERMEDIATE CONSIGNEE:

Golam Sarwar, Senior Executive M.D. Abdus Sobhan, Executive Director Asia Projects 228 Green Road, 4th Floor Dhaka 1205 Bangladesh

FOREIGN CONSIGNEE:

Col. M.A.S. Sadequa
Director (Purchase)
Directorate General of Defence Purchase
Commandant
Central Ordnance Depot
Dhaka Cantonment
Bangladesh

FOREIGN END-USER:

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Ministry of Defence
Directorate General of Defence Purchase
Army Headquarters Master General
Ordnance Branch, Ordnance Directorate
Signals Base Workshop
New Airport Road, Tejgaon
Dhaka Cantonment-1215
Bangladesh

PURPOSE:

The items ordered are the spares for Manpack Radio set

- AN/PRC-77 to repair existing AN/RC-77 equipment for the Bangladesh Army.
- $\underline{\P}6$. Submitted in support of the license application was the following document (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Post upon request):
- -- Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Contract (stamped "Official Use Only") referencing Contract No. 214/2050/C/DGDP/PROV/SIG/P-2 dated 13 March 2008;
- -- Department of State License for Permanent Export of Unclassified Defense Articles and Related Unclassified Technical Data signed 09 May 2008
- 17. Please slug reply for PM/DTCC BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Rachael-Therese S. Joubert-Lin, Phone: 202-663-2950; Email: JoubertLinRS@state.gov; SIPRNET: JoubertLinRS@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file at http://www.intelink.sgov.gov/wiki/Blue Lantern End-Use Monitoring Program.
- 18. Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter.
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